

75th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY - 2009 Regular Session
STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY
Senate Committee on Business and Transportation

MEASURE: SB 944 A
CARRIER: Sen. Prozanski

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: Minimal fiscal impact, no statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

Vote: 3 - 0 - 2

Yeas: George, Schrader, Metsger

Nays: -

Exc.: Starr, Verger

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Meeting Dates: 4/2, 4/23

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Directs Lane County governing board to develop, by September 30, 2010, a proposed charter for formation of a Lane County area commission on transportation. Directs governing board to submit the proposed charter to the Oregon Transportation Commission. Directs the Oregon Department of Transportation to provide staff support. Directs Lane County governing board to report to appropriate interim committee of the Legislative Assembly by October 31, 2010.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Previous history of the issue
- Workings of other transportation committees
- How to make the process more inclusive and regional
- Voting representation and how that would be different from Lane County Commissioners
- Transportation
- Summit being planned for the Lane County area

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces the measure.

BACKGROUND: Area Commissions on Transportation (ACT) have been established for Northwest Oregon (Clatsop, Tillamook, Columbia and western rural Washington counties, in 1999); Mid-Willamette Valley (Marion, Polk and Yamhill counties, in 1997); Cascades West (Benton, Linn and Lincoln counties in 1998); South West (Coos, Curry and Douglas counties in 2000); Rogue Valley (Jackson and Josephine counties, in 1997); Lower John Day (Gilliam, Sherman, Wheeler and Wasco counties, in 1999); Central Oregon (Crook, Deschutes and Jefferson counties, in 1998); South Central Oregon (Klamath and Lake counties, 1999); North East (Morrow, Baker, Union, Umatilla and Wallowa counties and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, in 2002); and South East (Grant, Harney and Malheur counties, in 2000).

Lane County and the Portland Metropolitan area have elected not to establish ACTs. In Lane County, instead, the Oregon Department of Transportation has worked with the Eugene/Springfield Metropolitan Policy Committee and the Lane County Board of Commissioners to coordinate transportation project planning and construction.

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